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SUBJ: US THREATS TO OIL PRODUCERS - ENDERS REMARKS

1. LOCAL PRESS HAS HEADLINED ASSISTANT SECRETARY
ENDERS' FEB 14 REMARKS TO SENATE FOREIGN RELATIONS
SUBCOMMITTEE AS RENEWAL OF THREATS AGAINST ARAB OIL
PRODUCERS. ARTICLE ON FRONT PAGE BENEATH PICTURE OF
FIGHTER AIRCRAFT OVER NORTH SEA OIL WELL CAPTIONED
/UNITED STATES PREPARES FOR AGGRESSION", READS AS
FOLLOWS: /THE ASSISTANT TO MR. KISSINGER, MR. THOMAS
ENDERS, HAS JUST RENEWED THE THREATS OF MILITARY
INTERVENTION BY THE UNITED STATES AGAINST THE ARAB
OIL PRODUCERS. WARNING AGAINST AN EMBARGO, THE
ASSISTANT SECRETARY OF STATE COMPARED THAT EVENTUALITY
TO 'SOMETHING WHICH WOULD BE VERY CLOSE TO A NUCLEAR
WAR.' THE WARNING WAS REITERATED BY FRANK ZARB, CHIEF
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OF FEDERAL ENERGY AGENCY. THIS LAST WARNING WAS

ADDRESSED TO ALL THE MEMBERS OF OPEC."

2. ARTICLE CONTINUES ON INNER PAGE, WITHOUT GIVING MORE DETAILS OF PURPORTED REMARKS, EXCEPT TO SAY THAT "WASHINGTON, THROUGH ITS REPRESENTATIVES CONTINUES TO SPEAK OF A 'CHALLENGE TO THE INDUSTRIALIZED COUNTRIES.' THE VOCABULARY USED REMAINS INSPIRED BY A SPIRIT OF CONFRONTATION IF NOT INTIMIDATION. ASSOCIATED PRESS HAS REVEALED RECENTLY THAT PRIVATE AMERICAN FIRM, THE VINNELL CORPORATION, HAS BEGUN TO ENLIST VETERANS OF SPECIAL UNITS IN THE VIETNAM WAR TO TRAIN THE 6TH AND 7TH FLEETS (SOC) IN THE METHODS OF OCCUPATION AND DEFENSE OF OIL FIELDS. THIS INFORMATION COULD NOT BUT INQUIET WORLD OPINION.... TO THIS INFORMATION MUST BE ADDED THE ACCELERATED PREPARATION OF GREEN BERET UNITS IN CONDITIONS SIMULATING CLIMATE OF NEAR EAST. THE PRESENCE OF 7TH FLEET OFF ARABIAN COAST IS NOT FORTUITOUS. ALL THIS TALK OF COMBAT IS CONFIRMED BY THE REPEATED THREATS OF WASHINGTON."

3. COMMENT: ARTICLE REFLECTS CURRENT LOCAL UNWILLINGNESS SEE THREAT IN ANYTHING COMING OUT OF WASHINGTON THESE DAYS.PARKER

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